

# BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Frederick Wortendyke 1800-1850

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 12 Pascoek Road  
(Black 1316, Lot 26)

MUNICIPALITY: Park Ridge

OWNERSHIP:  Public  Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Dennis C. & Barbara  
Beaumont  
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

Erskine (1778-80) Road not surveyed

Hopkins-Corey (1861) E. Hill

Walker's Atlas (1876) W.J. Hill

Bromley (1912)

Other

RECOGNITION:

National Register  BCHS Marker

HABS  Bailey

Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 12° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

COMMENTS:

THREATS TO STRUCTURE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

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Excellent  Good

Fair  Deteriorated

STATUS:

Occupied

Unoccupied

Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

Yes, Restricted

Yes, Unrestricted

No

This house probably dates from the mid eighteenth century, but was changed and extended about the time of the Revolution. The owner says ten feet was added to the west by removing the wall and using the stone to extend part of the rear. The second story was added in the early nineteenth century. The addition is imperceptible generally as the break occurred at windows front and rear. The original plan cannot be ascertained but appears to be a side hall with the staircase possibly at the rear of the hall.

PHOTO



MAP

USGS QUAD: Park Ridge



**DESCRIPTION**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:**

c. 1750/Tradition

**BUILDER:**

Probably Frederick Wortendyke

**FORM/PLAN TYPE:**

3 bay, 2 rooms deep.  
(33'9" x 30'8")

**FRAMING SYSTEM:**

- Intermediate Summer Beam
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span
- Other

**EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:**

Cut sandstone front w/ trapezoidal lintels, stucco on east, rubble on north, frame on west.

**FENESTRATION:**

6/6, 34" x 59" on front, 12/8 on rear.

**ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:**

Center, plain w/ transom, 7'0" high.  
Door is 32-1/2" x 6'2-1/2"

**NUMBER OF STORIES:** 2-1/2

**CELLAR:**  Yes  
 No

**CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:**

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

**FLOOR JOISTS:** 8" x 10" (7" x 9" under west wing), well cut & squared, 26-29" between.

**FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:** 7'7"

**FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:** 20"

**GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:**

**GARRET:**

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

**ROOF:**

- Gable
- Gambrel
- Curb
- Other

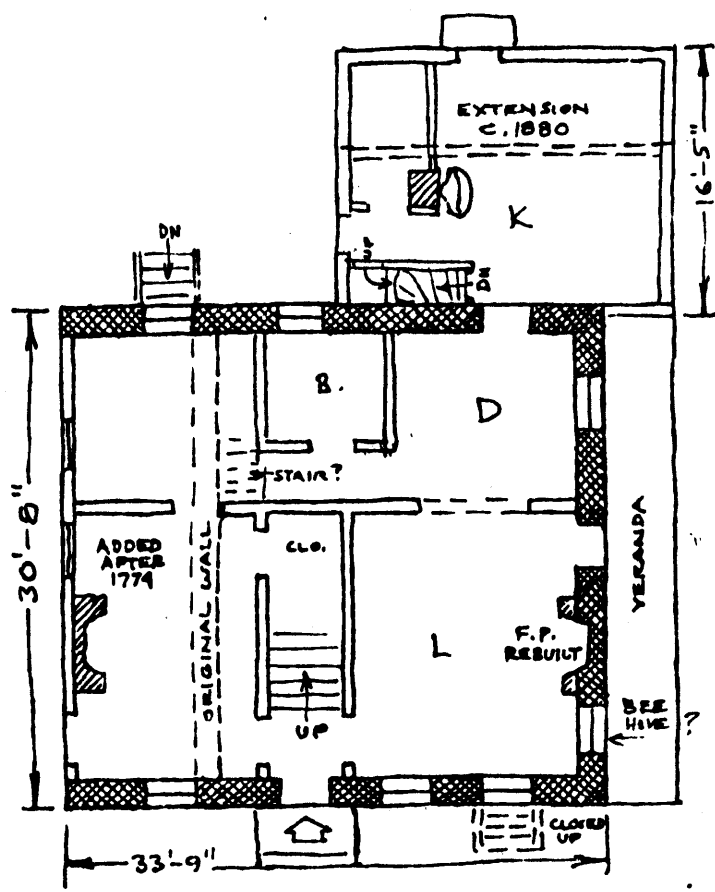
**EAVE TREATMENT:**

- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

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Wortendyke  
Park Ridge.  
1" = 12'-0"  
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The original house here was built about 1750-55 by Frederick Wortendyke, Jr. on the south half of a tract of 465 acres purchased by his father Frederick, Sr. from Hendrick Vanderlinda in 1735. Frederick, Sr. lived on the Tappan Patent (in Harrington Park). Frederick, Jr. inherited the land by his father's will dated November 25, 1747. On April 3, 1748 he married Sarah Durie and in August 1763 he married Marjory Ryer. The original house had two rooms with fireplaces on the end walls. Prior to 1798 the house was enlarged westward beyond the west fireplace. The house then had three chimneys, two front doors and two windows. This addition may have been done when Frederick, Jr.'s son John was married in 1794. A sketch appears on a map of December 13, 1795. Frederick, Jr. died in 1797 (his will was dated September 22 and proved December 1 of that year) and devised to his son John the house where John lived and 90.5 acres. John married Elizabeth Post and died in 1844. The homestead and part of the farm went to his son Peter who sold the house and 40 acres on both sides of the road to Benjamin Hill on April 7, 1851 for \$2,800. The second story was probably added about this time and other changes were made. Hill's daughter Margaret married Albert J. Terhune who had a cobbler's shop in the present kitchen wing. Hill died in 1885 and his son Thomas inherited and remained until his death in 1924. - CKT.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 1316, Lot 26 - Park Ridge Tax Map

Less than 1 acre

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